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## LOUISVILLE MAN SENTENCED TO 18 MONTHS FOR MAKING AND CONSPIRING TO MAKE COUNTERFEIT U.S. CURRENCY

LOUISVILLE, KY - **Brian Owens**, age 25, of Louisville, Kentucky, was sentenced on September 5, 2007, to 18 months imprisonment in United States District Court, Louisville, Kentucky, David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today. Charles R. Simpson, III, Judge, United States District Court, also sentenced Owens to 3 years supervised release following incarceration. Owens had previously pleaded guilty to the Indictment that charged him with manufacturing and conspiracy to manufacture counterfeit. United States currency.

The Indictment to which he was sentenced charged that **Owens** manufactured and conspired to manufacture counterfeit currency in August of 2006. More specifically, on August 13, 2006, Owens conspired with others to manufacture approximately \$380 in counterfeit U.S. currency. Owens made the counterfeit currency using an all-in-one printer that he purchased at a local Wal-Mart. Owens was arrested before he could pass any of the counterfeit bills.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Bryan Calhoun, and it was investigated by the United States Secret Service.